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CALIFORNIA DAY AT SHELL MOUND
FULL OF THE NOISE AND FURY OF WAR

POLICE OFFICERS FILED INTO THE RANGES AT SHELL MOUND PARK YESTERDAY MORNING AND AFTERNOON AND SHOOT FOR MEDALS AND HONOR. UNIVERSITY CADETS AND NATIONAL GUARD TEAMS ENGAGE IN INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM COMPETITION.

San Francisco Police Officers Display Great Skill With Their Rifles and Defeat a Picked Team From Oakland Department

THEY came, they saw, but they did not conquer—Governor Gage and his blue-coated and tinseled staff. To the music of "Hail! Hail! to the Chief," the Governor and more than a dozen of the wearers of immaculate blue entered the Shell Mound grounds yesterday afternoon, and out of step they walked over the gravel of the main avenue to the shooting ranges. Great and glorious was the entrance to the gallery above the shooting boxes. All felt it as the epauletted staff sat down to a view of the fiery action at the ranges.

The smell of gunpowder filled the air. The crackling fire and all the noise and bustle of bellic attributes assailed the senses. The gubernatorial escort sniffed and sniffed and sniffed. Some of them sneezed, some of them coughed, the frames of some jerked spasmodically as the sputtering shots streamed fire and lead toward the targets, 200 yards away. A few held their heads on a straight level and looked real martial. Then they all filed out and sat down under the trees to a banquet and listened to other popping noises. They went away happy, and on every tongue of the peace-loving soldiers were words of quiet battle and unrhythmic song.

GOVERNOR'S STAFF SMELLS GUNPOWDER

The Governor's staff was on parade. Under the guidance of the chief executive it was introduced to the smell of gunpowder. The sharpshooters and record breakers performed their best. The rifles rang their punctuating fire incessantly for the delectation of the dignified visitors. With every shot the titled soldiers who graced the seventh day of the third National Bundes Festival became more martial. Their shoulders straightened, they breathed fierce war and fought countless battles with the circumambient air. The very march to the banquet table exuded courage and that daring spirit that comes from hostile struggle. Then, like true soldiers, they fell to the feast before them. Full of speech and grandiloquence, they passed a few happy hours at the table. They told of the stability of the State and what war meant, and how inextricably it was bound up with marksmanship. Then the band played martial music and the Governor's staff, elated and with heaven-scraping chins, passed out of the grounds, thoroughly satisfied with the fierce labors of the day and the successful encounter on the table of peace.

SPEECHES MADE AT THE SHOOTING RANGE

According to schedule, yesterday was set apart as California day in the third National Bundes Shooting Festival of the United States of America. National Guard companies, the police departments of the State and the University of California cadets occupied the ranges and shot for prizes. This was an incident. All the color of the day came in the reception to the Governor and his staff. Escorted by President Kuhls and John D. Heise, Governor Gage, followed by his soldierly attired staff, took possession of Shell Mound yesterday afternoon. When they reached the platform which holds the view of the ranges President Kuhls introduced the chief executive. A speech by the Governor followed. Superheated atmosphere fell from his lips in stump fashion—just enough of it to keep the air from too sudden a cooling, for the shooters ceased their fire when the Governor had his say. After the speech was finished hats were waved and cheers shook the rafters. The band played the "Star Spangled Banner," the staff officers removed caps, and then the shooters went back to their work. After that the banquet engagement was undertaken by the soldiers. Victory graced their efforts.

The soldier support of Governor Gage included Adjutant General Seamans, Colonel F. E. Beck, Colonel Thomas Wilhelm, Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Choynski, Colonel J. F. Young, Colonel George H. Pippy, S. J. Hendy and Charles Sonntag. Major General Dickinson was accompanied by Colonel D. E. Miles, Colonel J. M. W. Draper, Colonel Louis Barrere, Colonel W. A. Halstead, Colonel C. J. Evans, Major L. S. Schmitt and Major Hewes. The Naval Militia was represented by Captain T. A. Nerney, Lieutenant Commander Douglas White and Captain L. H. Turner.

At the banquet Isaiah Choynski officiated as toastmaster, and the following guests responded to the toasts: Governor Gage, General Dickinson, President Kuhls, Senator E. I. Wolfe, Rudolph Herold, Captain Wulzen, W. English, Sheriff Lackmann, Judge Conlan, Edward L. Head, D. B. Faktor, August Jungblut and Captain Robert Wieneke.

STRECKER AND MASON IN THE PUBLIC'S EYE

Compared with ladies' day the celebration yesterday was tame. On Friday the crowds surged in and out of the avenues, filled the dance pavilion and watched the shooters with zealous interest. A small attendance and no sensational shooting was the record of yesterday. F. E. Mason, who holds in his hands the possible chance of winning the kingship from renowned Adolph Strecker, did not shoot his last string. He is nursing his nerve, husbanding his strength for the final ordeal. Fifty shots yet remain for him and if he repeats—why, then, Strecker will be great but not greatest on the rifle range. The "sweat box" found Strecker as a victim. This man whose nerve is as finely drawn as a taut steel wire could do nothing better than 62 on the honorary target, but on the standard he made 49 out of a possible 50. Mason with his 24, 25 and another shot to be heard ought to do wonders on the honorary when all points are added. More than one man is waiting for that other shot.

MILITIAMEN DEFEAT UNIVERSITY CADETS

Battery C, First Artillery, N. G. C., captured the honors yesterday in the university and militia shoot. The team of six men from the new artillery corps, picked after careful trial, won the match by scoring 255 points. Chris Meyer of the winning team captured the gold medal for the best individual score by making seven bullseyes in succession and putting his other three shots in the circle counting four points. His total was 47. There were five teams of six men each in the contest. Batteries B, C and D of the First Artillery and Company D of the Fifth Infantry of San Rafael represented the National Guard, and six men from the University of California cadet corps shot for the honor of their alma mater.

The match was close and exciting. With one man from each team yet to shoot, Batteries C and D were tied on a score of 208. Company D had a score of 207 and the cadets had 197 points to their credit. The last shooters in the contests were the best marksmen in the teams. Moulton of the infantry team was as steady as a rock and determined to bring the prize to San Rafael. He carried a handicap of one point. Utschig and Meyer of the batteries, that were tied, and White of the University cadets were equally as determined that the cup should go to them. Ten shots apiece were allowed the cracks, and when these were fired the result stood: Meyer 57, Moulton 44, Utschig 43, Thompson 42 and White 42. Battery C had captured the team and individual prize. Company D and Battery C were tied for second place, Battery B was third and the cadets were last.

The individual and team scores were as follows:

Battery C, First Artillery, N. G. C.—C. E. Goodall, 42; Len Grant, 42; H. J. Musgrave, 42; Fred Carson, 42; Ward Grant, 40; Chris Meyer, 47; total, 255.

Battery D, First Artillery—Percy L. Badt, 41; L. J. Reubold, 40; E. P. Jacobson, 45; W. A. Thompson, 40; Captain T. J. Cunningham, 42; J. L. Utschig Jr., 43; total, 251.

Company D, Fifth Infantry, San Rafael—W. T. Butterworth, 42; H. Iverson, 43; T. S. Archer, 41; T. Kerrigan, 43; J. Dawson, 38; F. B. Moulton, 44; total, 251.

Battery B, First Artillery—J. F. Norton, 40; A. S. Hatfield, 42; Lieutenant W. S. Grattan, 41; J. W. Cobby, 40; F. J. Povey, 44; W. W. Thompson, 42; total, 249.

University of California, cadet corps—E. B. Harley, 41; R. M. Hardin, 33; W. B. Haines, 40; Captain N. Vanderbilt, 42; J. A. Pearce, 41; H. F. White, 42; total, 239.

LOCAL POLICE CARRY OFF SEVERAL PRIZES

One of the most interesting events of the Bundesfest was the shooting match between a picked team of six officers of the San Francisco Police Department and a team composed of members of the Oakland force. The match was won by the San Francisco men by 8 points.

The gold medal for the patrolman making the best individual score, however, went to Officer H. B. Henderson of Oakland, who scored 46 out of a possible 50. Officer Cavanagh of the team from this side of the bay was a close second, making 45 points in his ten shots.

Crack Shots of the University Cadets Enter Into a Contest at the Butts With National Guardsmen and Suffer Defeat

The patrolmen commenced shooting at 10 a. m. and finished at 11:30. During the entire match the greatest excitement prevailed, as it was known that a spirit of keen rivalry existed between the "coppers." Sergeant Helms of this city coached the local shooting cracks, while the Oakland men were under the leadership of Captain W. J. Petersen. The contest was held at the Creedmore target under Blunt rules and was under the direction of Shooting Master H. Huber. The shooting was 200 yards, offhand, open sight, with a 44 caliber Winchester rifle with a three-pound pull.

Following are the individual scores of the police teams:

SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT TEAM.

T. A. Atchison	5 5 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 4	43
W. H Burkholder	4 5 4 5 4 4 4 5 4 4	43
J. B. Cavanaugh	4 4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5 5	45
Richard Ingham	4 4 4 3 5 4 4 4 4 5	41
W. W. Wilson	4 4 4 4 5 4 4 4 5 4	42
Carr Smith	4 4 4 4 4 5 5 4 4 5	43—257

OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT TEAM.

D. W. Swain	4 4 5 5 4 4 4 4 3 4	41
N. Williams	5 3 4 5 4 5 4 4 4 4	43
H. C. Arnest	4 4 5 4 3 4 4 4 4 5	41
L. E. Andrews	3 4 5 4 5 4 4 4 4 4	41
H. B. Henderson	5 5 5 4 4 4 5 5 5 4	46
Fred Schroeder	3 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 4 4	38—249

T. A. Atchison of the San Francisco Police Department Shooting Team made a remarkably good score on the honorary target yesterday. He used a 44-caliber Winchester rifle, model of 1873, with a three-pound pull and made fifty-nine points. Smith Carr, also of the San Francisco police team, took ten shots at the same target and scored sixty-three. These scores entitled both the officers to valuable trophies.

HOBOKEN MERCHANT MAKES GOOD SCORE

Emil Berckmann of Hoboken, New Jersey, has been one of the steady shooters at the festival. His scores on all the targets have been high ones and have brought him many prizes. He is one of the most popular marksmen at the Bundesfest. Mr. Berckmann paid particular attention to the man target, on which he made a score of 77, which entitles him to a handsome gold medal. On the ring target he has a score of 73. He has also won a silver medal and cup. The latter prize is given to those who score more than 300 on the point target. Mr. Berckmann has been a participant in shooting contests for years past and is the proud possessor of more than 100 medals and valuable trophies won by him at the butts. He is a member of the Independent Rifles of Hoboken.

Al Lehrke is doing some good shooting the last few days of the festival. He has tried his skill at all the targets and made some large scores. His strong forte is offhand shooting, at which he has few peers. Mr. Lehrke has captured several gold and silver medals since the opening of the festival.

SKILLED MARKSMEN TRY THE HONORARY TARGET

Aside from the king shoot the greatest interest is centered upon the Eureka honorary target. The best scores made on that target yesterday were:

J. D. East, Pope-Ramsey Rifle Club, Denver, Colo., 67; G. M. Barley, Columbia Rifle and Pistol Club, 65; Louis Brehm, Pittsburg Rifle Club, 64; L. G. Vaught, Denver Rifle Club, 64; Smith Carr, San Francisco police, 63; J. Singer, Los Angeles, 62; Adolph Strecker, 62; A. L. Ott, 62; A. B. Dorrell, 61; E. Berg, Davenport, Ia., 60; Frank Mathie, Wauwasoota, Wis., 59; D. B. Faktor, 59; Captain John Thode, 58; George J. Krueckel, 58; M. Bedell, Pittsburg, 58; Judge George H. Bahrs, 57; George F. Cavalli, 57; T. A. Atchison, San Francisco police, 57.

The best scores for the day on the ring target were the following:

E. Berckmann, New York, 73; E. Schmidt, Sacramento, 73; F. P. Schuster, San Francisco, 73; W. N. Hasenzahl, Connecticut, 72; E. Berg, Iowa, 71; J. Meyer, Sacramento, 71; T. R. Geisel, Massachusetts, 70.

SHOOTERS CONTINUE TO WIN TROPHIES

The following marksmen have been awarded silver goblets and gold and silver medals. Festival goblets for 300 points or more:

F. H. Bushnell, Otto Bremer, Henry Wicker, C. A. Shafer, Colorado; C. M. Henderson, E. Bridge, Vermont; Sylvain Trounstine, Cincinnati; E. F. Richter, Milwaukee; M. Gindele, Cincinnati; J. W. Goetze, Joseph Fetz, Charles F. Thierbach, M. C. Ramsey, Colorado; August Jungblut, D. W. King Jr., Denver.

Gold medals, for 150 points and over—L. P. Ittel, Pennsylvania; Captain Fred Kuhnle, Petaluma; J. P. Delahunty, C. J. Barnes, Colorado; A. Steckler, G. L. Vought, Denver; Captain John Thode, D. W. King Jr., Denver.

Silver medals, for 50 points and over—Alfred Gfeller, Missouri; A. Mohotti, John Lankenau, G. Orsi, Gustav Schulz, F. A. Kuhls, J. Bachmann, George R. Hauser, E. Berg, Iowa; L. P. Ittel, Pennsylvania; H. Wicker, Ferdinand Beck, Virginia City, Nev.; O. M. Barnes, Grand Junction, Colo.; F. N. Scofield, San Diego; M. Bedell, Pittsburg; H. L. Soehlmann, F. C. Ross, New York; B. Kestner, Louis Haake, H. H. Uckotter, Cincinnati; M. Gindele, Cincinnati; August Haynke, Sacramento; John Hauerwass, Los Angeles; W. H. Stever, W. Rusher, H. F. Muller, J. Tiedemann, Joseph Maier.

The highest scores for the day on the principal targets were:

Bear target—C. Meyer, San Francisco, 13.
Ring target—F. P. Schuster, San Francisco, 73; E. Berckmann, New York, 73.
Man target—Dr. Lee O. Rodgers, San Francisco, 76.
Standard target—A. Strecker, San Francisco, 49.

William Ehrenpfort made 75 on the man target, and President Kuhls made the first bullseye and John D. Heise the last bullseye of the day.

DEATH BY POISON SELF ADMINISTERED ENDS A PATHETIC FAMILY TRAGEDY

Mrs. A. M. Allen, sick, suffering and in dire want, ended her life by taking strychnine at the home of Mrs. Annie Swarts, 1635 De Haro street, Friday night. The passing of the unfortunate woman marks the close of the third and final chapter in a pathetic family tragedy.

Mrs. Allen's only child, a son, went down in the ill-fated City of Chester in San Francisco Bay many years ago, when that vessel was cut in two by the Oceanic. Her husband, A. F. Allen, was murdered in Napa County three years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen had a comfortable home in Napa, which they called the Solid Comfort Home. It was true to its name, and they were living happily until Mr. Allen became addicted to drink. He neglected his business and soon the home was mortgaged. Allen's business affairs, because of his dissipation, went from bad to worse, and after he was killed the mortgage was foreclosed, Mrs. Allen being at that time a helpless invalid. She drifted about from one place to another, her ailment, a general breaking down of the system, growing more and more serious. Finally she was admitted to the City and County Hospital, from which institution she was removed three weeks ago to the home of Mrs Swarts, a charitable woman, to whom she was a total stranger. And there she died by her own hand.

Before taking the poison the unfortunate woman wrote a note in pencil, from which the following extracts are made:

To Whom It May Concern: I do here on my bed of suffering thank the dear and kind friends who took me into care for the rest of my short life, to whom my gratitude can never repay their kindness to me. A father or mother could not do more than they have done, and I cannot depend upon them for support until—well, I belong to the Ladies' American Lodge. I should like to see them once more in session before I die. I do not fear death, and have always tried to live right through life. My suffering is too great, which I cannot endure, so I chose death by my own hand with strychnine which I had over three years in my possession.

Homeless, helpless and destitute, I could not even get any medicine to relieve pain without the money. I think it better to be at rest. * * * Yours with due respect,

MRS. A. M. ALLEN, age 61, widow of A. F. Allen.

P. S.—Blame no one for this act of mine. I fear not to die.

Rain Ends Arizona Drought.

TUCSON, Ariz., July 20.—A general rain, the first of the season, fell this evening. The drought has been severe and the rain has caused much rejoicing.

HONOR GUEST FROM THE ANTIPODES.

The Caledonian Club held an open meeting in Scottish Hall Friday night. The hall was crowded with members and their lady friends. An excellent programme of songs, recitations and instrumental solos was rendered by Piper Neil Lindsay, Messrs. Brown, Boysen, Klein, Neumann, Fairgrieve, Ford, Carles, Brodie and Kirby and Mrs. Edmonson, Miss Pritchard and Mrs. Squires.

Chief Macpherson introduced to the meeting Alexander Burt, one of the leading citizens of Dunedin, New Zealand, who is here on his way to Scotland and the European continent for a year's pleasure trip with his two daughters. He is an honorary director of the Caledonian Society of Dunedin and delivered an interesting address on the society's doings there and the great progress the colony has been making in recent years.

POLICE OFFICER WOUNDS A BURGLAR WHO ATTEMPTS TO ENTER HIS HOUSE

Police Officer M. J. Griffin had an encounter about 10:30 o'clock last night with a burglar who attempted to effect an entrance into the officer's residence, 2625 Howard street. Griffin, upon returning home, heard a noise in the rear of his house. He went downstairs and found a man attempting to force an entrance through a rear window.

Griffin asked the marauder what was wanted, and the stranger took to his heels. He was told to halt, but attempted to climb over the fence. The police officer drew his pistol and caught the fugitive with a bullet in the arm. The burglar fell to the ground crying out with pain. The officer picked him up, called a patrol wagon and sent him to the City and County Hospital. His wound was dressed by Dr. Beerman.

The bullet entered the night prowler's forearm and lodged in the muscles, from which it was cut out. The wound, while painful, is not serious. The man was later removed to the Seventeenth-street station, where he gave the name of I. Sanchez. He was bocked on a charge of attempt to commit burglary. The prisoner declined to give any information regarding himself.

WILL SELL TOWN LOTS ON THE RESERVATIONS

Government Makes Known the Regulations to Govern Auction of Oklahoma Lands.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—The regulations for the disposition of the townsite lots in the Wichita, Kiowa, Apache and Comanche reservations in Oklahoma, to be opened August 6, were issued by the Interior Department to-day. They direct Assistant Commissioner Richards of the General Land Office to take charge of and superintend the sale of town lots in the county seat townsites of Lawton, Anardarko and Hobart. The blocks in these townsites will be divided into lots of twenty-five feet for business lots and fifty feet for residences. No person shall purchase more than one business and one residence lot in the same townsite. Town lots in each townsite will be auctioned off to the highest bidder for cash. The sale will begin at 9 a. m., August 6, and extend until all lots are sold, but not beyond August 31. The business lots will be sold first.